

Amendments to Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 7 of page 5 as follows:

The invention includes an improved interconnect for a flexure arm of a hard disk drive. the invention provides an interconnect that may reduce a head and head slider's exposure to severe electrostatic discharge (ESD) events and may dissipate electrostatic voltage charges on the head. The invention may provide ~~a reduced~~ an increased signal to noise ratio during data read/write operations. The invention may also minimize variations of the flying height of the head slider over the surface of a rotating disk.